

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Kindly replace the claims as follows.

1-12. Cancelled.

13. (currently amended) A method for creating and trading a dynamic security ~~The method of claim 12, further comprising the steps of:~~

selecting a plurality of assets to form a dynamic security, the plurality of assets chosen from two or more of the categories:

fixed income securities,

stocks,

futures contracts,

options contracts,

other securities,

non-security financial instruments,

real property leases, and

collectibles;

the dynamic security being a financial interest whose value tracks the sum of the values of the assets forming the dynamic security;

comparing a the rate of return of an asset within the dynamic security to a pre-determined target rate of return; and

trading the asset within the dynamic security based on the comparing.

14. (original) The method of claim 13, further comprising providing a notification when the rate of return deviates at a pre-determined ratio from the target rate of return.

15. (currently amended) The method of claim 13 ~~[[1]]~~, further comprising monitoring a rate of return of each of the selected plurality of assets ~~securities~~.

16. (currently amended) The method of claim 15, further comprising comparing the rate of return of each of the selected assets securities to a pre-determined target rate of return.

17. (currently amended) The method of claim 16, further comprising providing a notification when the value of a selected one of each of the selected plurality of assets securities deviates at a pre-determined ratio from the target rate of return.

18. (original) The method of claim 15, further comprising implementing the method in an electronic trading platform.

19-20. (cancelled)

21. (currently amended) The system of claim 24 [[19]], further comprising means for trading the dynamic security.

22. (currently amended) The system of claim 24 [[19]], further comprising means for trading at least one of the selected plurality of assets securities separate from the dynamic security.

23. (cancelled)

24. (currently amended) Δ The system for creating and trading a dynamic security of claim 23, further comprising:

means for selecting a plurality of assets to form a dynamic security, the plurality of assets chosen from two or more of the categories:

fixed income securities,

stocks,

futures contracts,

options contracts,
other securities,
non-security financial instruments,
real property leases, and
collectibles;

the dynamic security being a financial interest whose value tracks the sum of the values of the assets forming the dynamic security;

means for comparing ~~a~~ the rate of return of an asset within the dynamic security to a pre-determined target rate of return; and

means for trading the asset within the dynamic security based on the comparing.

25. (currently amended) The system of claim 23 ~~[[24]]~~, further comprising means for providing a notification when the rate of return deviates at a pre-determined ratio from the target rate of return.

26. (currently amended) The system of claim 23 ~~[[19]]~~, further comprising means for monitoring a rate of return of each of the selected plurality of assets ~~securities~~.

27. (cancelled).

28. (currently amended) The system of claim 23 ~~[[27]]~~, further comprising means for providing a notification when the value of a selected one of each of the selected plurality of assets ~~securities~~ deviates at a pre-determined ratio from the target rate of return.

29. (currently amended) The system of claim 23 ~~[[19]]~~, further comprising means for implementing the system in an electronic trading platform.

30-41. (cancelled)

42. (currently amended) ~~A~~ The system for creating and trading a dynamic security ~~The method of claim 12, further comprising:~~

a storage device, the storage device storing:

a program for controlling the processor;

a list of assets;

a processor connected to the storage device, the processor operative with the program to:

select a plurality of assets from a list of assets to form a dynamic security from the selected plurality of assets, the plurality of assets chosen from two or more of the categories:

fixed income securities,

stocks,

futures contracts,

options contracts,

other securities,

non-security financial instruments,

real property leases, and

collectibles;

the dynamic security being a financial interest whose value tracks the sum of the values of the assets forming the dynamic security;

wherein the system is further configured to allow compare a comparing of the rate of return of an asset within the dynamic security to a pre-determined target rate of return; and trade the asset within the dynamic security based on the result of the compare.

43. (previously presented) The system of claim 42, wherein the system is further configured to allow providing a notification when the rate of return deviates at a pre-determined ratio from the target rate of return.

44. (currently amended) The system of claim 42 ~~[[30]]~~, wherein the system is further configured to allow monitoring of a rate of return of each of the selected plurality of assets securities.

45. (currently amended) The system of claim 44, wherein the system is further configured to allow comparing of the rate of return of each of the selected assets ~~securities~~ to a pre-determined target rate of return.

46. (currently amended) The system of claim 45, wherein the system is further configured to allow providing a notification when the value of a selected one of each of the selected plurality of assets ~~securities~~ deviates at a pre-determined ratio from the target rate of return.

47. (previously presented) The system of claim 44, wherein the system is further configured to allow implementing the system in an electronic trading system.